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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted concurrently herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application, responsive to the Office Action mailed on May 6, 2003.

EXTENSION OF TIME PETITION

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time for response from the date of the Examiner's action as needed, the fee being as follows:

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